

(SRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE)

Our Hon. Chief Minister has already left for Delhi today. He is going to meet the Hon. Prime Minister and have preliminary discussion and this matter will come in the next meeting of the National Development Council. Sir, I am really very deeply disappointed by the award of the Finance Commission. It appears as if our State was the only State which was singled out and deprived of its due share in the divisible Central pool of taxes and grant-in-aid. I do not want to make any harsher statement but I must repeat that I share the concern and anxiety of the hon. Members and I will do my very best to see that the injustice done is remedied.

SRI BOLA RAGHURAMA SHETTY.—Cannot the Government challenge the Report of the Commission in a court of law on the ground that it has gone beyond its jurisdiction?

SRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE.—This is a matter which needs thorough examination. How can I say offhand whether we can take legal action?

SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Please see that this statement as well as the figures are circulated among the Members so that we may also make a study. Let us not come to conclusions without knowing what the facts are.

### **Petition re : Charges on Irrigation Pumpsets charged by the M.S.E.B.**

#### *Presentation*

SRI N. B. SIRDESAI (Belgaum).—I present the petition regarding exemption of minimum charges levied by the M.S.E.B. on Irrigation pumpsets during non-working period in Khanapur Taluk.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—The petition, which is presented now, stands referred to the Committee of Petitions.

### **Eighteenth Report of the Business Advisory Committee**

#### *Presentation*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—I present the 18th Report of the Business Advisory Committee. I will put it to vote. The question is:

“That this House approves the 18th Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

*The motion was adopted.*

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—The report is adopted.